



## CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Date Approved:**

February 15, 2023

Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex  
94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon

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### BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

**January 18, 2023**

Please note: For detailed information on any agenda item refer to Audio/Video.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Herzog at 9:00 a.m. Present were Chair John Herzog, Vice Chair Brad Alcorn, Commissioner Court Boice

Also present: County Counsel Ted Fitzgerald and Administrative Assistant John Jezuit

The Pledge was recited by all.

#### 2. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Alcorn - move Agenda Item 5D to Agenda Item 6G.

Boice - move Agenda Item 6G to before Agenda Item 6A.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Alcorn, to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pamela Winebarger spoke about Brookings Harbor Community Helpers, ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed), federal SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), South Coast Food Share, and asked for additional ARP (American Rescue Plan) funds. Mary Rowe spoke about housing issues and food bank funding. Don Bemis and Debra Salzman spoke about the 2022 Wreaths Across America event in Brookings and presented Certificates of Appreciation to Alcorn and Boice. Mike Appling, Gold Beach Ranger Station, USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) Forest Service introduced himself and stated he is looking forward to serving us.

#### 4. PRESENTATION

A. Presentation - Recognizing Curry Volunteer Organization - Curry Public Lands Access - Commissioner Boice

Boice introduced Lori Hawkins. Hawkins spoke about the membership of the group, the work the group does, wilderness trails, safety, how to request the group work on a specific road, and a life jacket loaner station. Both Boice and Sheriff John Ward expressed appreciation for the group's work.

AGENDA ITEM 4B WAS NOT DISCUSSED.

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- B. Curry Watersheds Partnership Update - Kelly Timchak, Miranda Gray, Liesl Coleman – Commissioner Boice

AGENDA ITEM 4C DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6F.

- C. Curry County HBOT (Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment Therapy – Curry Program Update – Presentation - Commissioner Boice

Boice introduced Connie Hunter, Secretary, Roseburg Veterans Mental Health Advocacy Council. Hunter facilitated a lengthy discussion with Alcorn; Boice; Herzog; David Kracke (*via GoToMeeting*), Governor's Task Force on Traumatic Brain Injury; and Jessica Lloyd-Rogers, (*via GoToMeeting*) Chair, Roseburg Veterans Mental Health Advocacy Council; about brain injury resource navigation, Veterans, sustainability, HBOT, and costs.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Minutes Emergency Meeting January 9, 2023  
B. Approve Elected Officials Credit Card  
C. New Hire – Supervisor of Elections – S. Lensgraf

AGENDA ITEM 5D COVERED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6A.

- D. Acceptance of CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Grant Award IA2212 for Food Bank Assistance

A discussion with Alcorn, Boice, Fitzgerald, Herzog, and Winebarger about Sequoia Consulting, grant administration, South Coast Food Share, a possible workshop, and accepting the grant ensued.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Alcorn, we accept the grant and tentatively schedule a workshop for next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Approve Curry County Suicide Awareness and Prevention Council Grant Requests

Motion by Boice, seconded by Alcorn, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Appoint Fair Board Members  
The Board selected Christina Brose, Katie Hensley, Scott Mickelson for the Fair Board.

No motion was made.

- B. Adult P & P (Parole & Probation) and Juvenile Department Request Oregon Opioid Settlement Prevention Plan Job Description and Budget Approval – Captain Phil McDonald

A discussion with Alcorn, Boice, Fitzgerald, Herzog, and Sheriff Ward about the program followed.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Alcorn, to approve this new opioid settlement funding for an addiction specialist for Curry County. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Roadmaster Signature Authority for \$31,200 Peterson Cat Quote Purchase and Install Rebuilt Motor for Road Department 924 Front Loader – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster

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Christensen stated he is bringing back this item from the January 4, 2023, Business Meeting. An extended discussion with Alcorn; Boice; Christensen; Fitzgerald; Bob Halcumb, Shop Foreman; Herzog; and Monica Ward, Emergency Management Director, about the cause of the failure, need to repair, costs, timelines, the North Bank slide, funding, FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency), communications, and potential procedural changes ensued.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Herzog, that we get the repairs done for the 924 front loader with the condition that we collect all data that we possibly can related to the dropped valve and then also tied to the potential reimbursement with FEMA. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Roadmaster Signature Authority to Hire GRI and Dyer for \$54,410 for Survey and Geotechnical Report for Repairs to North Bank Rogue River Road Slide – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster Christensen showed a slide of the North Bank Road taken on December 28, 2022. A discussion with Alcorn; Boice; Christensen; Chris Ell, PE, GE, GRI, Principal; Fitzgerald; and Herzog about repair issues concerning the slide, the river, FEMA, and declaring an emergency followed.

Motion by Alcorn, seconded by Boice, to approve the cost pending a declaration designating this particular slide as an individual emergency needing the professional services of the people referenced in the proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Commissioner Signature Authority on Documents – Commissioner Alcorn Alcorn spoke about making County employees more effective. A discussion with Alcorn, Barnes, Boice, Fitzgerald, and Herzog about signing timecards, department heads oversight, human resources, consistent procedure, accounts receivable review, micromanagement, and signing for a check ensued.

The Board consensus was no more Commissioner signature on employee timecards.

Motion by Alcorn, seconded by Boice, no more signatures on invoices. Motion carried unanimously.

F. 2023 Meeting Schedule – Ted Fitzgerald, County Counsel  
The Board agreed to have meetings on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of every month, subject to change.

## **7. PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:00AM**

A. Public Hearing Regarding Changes to County Code – Ted Fitzgerald, County Counsel Fitzgerald and Boice briefly discussed the changes to the County Code. Herzog opened the Public Hearing. There were not any public comments. Herzog closed the Public Hearing.

No motion made.

## **8. COMMISSIONER UPDATES**

A. Commissioner Herzog did not have an update.

B. Commissioner Alcorn spoke about -

- Emergency Management and
- County college

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C. Commissioner Boice

- Senator Merkley;
- Emergency road between Gold Beach and Port Orford;
- Homeless issue;
- Revenue; and
- HBOT

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. 192.660(2)(b)

None

10. **HIRE ORDERS**

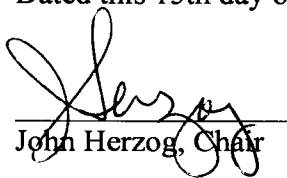
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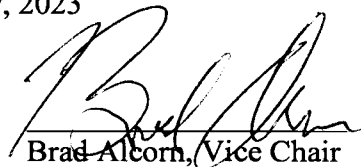
11. **OTHER** (ORS.192.640(1) ". . . notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.")

12. **ADJOURN**

Chair Herzog adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Dated this 15th day of February, 2023

  
John Herzog, Chair

  
Brad Alcorn, Vice Chair

**Absent At Signing**  
Court Boice, Commissioner

Minutes prepared by: John T. Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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